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Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the action dated December 27, 2001, be extended for one month to and including March 27, 2002.

Enclosed is a check for \$110 for the required fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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